

**VISION 2020 ENVIRONMENT TASK GROUP
JANUARY 6, 2015 MEETING**

**SPY POND COMMITTEE
Town Hall Annex, First Floor**

In attendance: Brad Barber, Bill Eykamp, Joey Glushko, Elizabeth Karpati, Bob and Harriet Noyes, Steve Ricci, Stroker Rogovin, Dick Terry.

Facilitator: Brad Barber

Minutes: Elizabeth Karpati

2015 meetings: 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays, Feb. 3, March 3, April 7, May 5, TBD (Summer Break Social at Brad's), Sept. 1, Oct. 6, Oct. 27, Dec. 1. Town Hall Annex, first floor except June.

- The **minutes** of the previous meeting were accepted as amended.
- The **Fertilizer Flyer** should be distributed by early April, too late to advertise the EcoFest, but it will advertise the Spy Pond Splash.
- **Spy Pond Splash:**
 - The date of May 30 was confirmed, tentatively 1-4 – it is OK for the crew and has already been printed in the newsletter of the Arlington Land Trust (ALT).
 - The Cultural Council has given the Creek River String Band (Stroker's group) an appropriation to provide music
 - Activities will include fishing and boat trips to Elizabeth Island. The state can lend fishing gear – Brad will handle. ALT and the crew can provide boats to the island.
 - Use existing e-mail lists for publicity. There are lists for Kelwyn Manor and Friends of Spy Pond Park but not for the area covered by the Neighborhood Newsletter.
 - Joey will get the list of licensed food vendors from the Board of Health. The list will not be available until the food vendors relicense for 2015.
- **Water level:** Bill Eykamp checks it every day. It is usually near normal but has been a bit higher lately.
- **Warrant article:** We should discuss with Peter Howard the best way to present it to the Finance Committee. At least one person from our group should stay after our presentation in case the Fin Com comes up with more questions. Maybe we should include a representative of the crew who can speak to the importance of not having a weed-choked pond for rowing.
- **Accomplishments:** We need to submit a list for the Vision 2020 annual report. Include:
 - Trails Day -- reduction in poison ivy, clearing vista below bench.
 - Getting MassHighway to replace the broken fence around the outfall.
 - Annual activities: participation in Town Day and EcoFest; fertilizer flyer.